## HISTORICAL STAFF POINT PAPER

- Public Affairs strongly supports the continuation of an Agency
   Historical Staff:
  - •• For the official U.S. Government archives and the historical record;
  - •• For the value of "lessons learned;"
  - •• For the support historical research can provide to current projects.
- Public Affairs is willing to subsume the current Historical
   Staff and the Historical Intelligence Collection (HIC):
  - •• To underwrite an on-going historical effort that will focus on the objectives stated above;

••	То	combine	the	two	separate	functions	into	one	for	better
	COI	ntrol an	d ar	eate	r economy	, to wit:				

- ••• Placing the new staff under OPA supervision and in the current library area occupied by HIC would save office space and provide a nearly co-located site for ease of operations.
- ••• Public Affairs would utilize the Historical Staff to perform research supportive of the OPA mission but consistent with its own primary role of recording Agency history and analyzing it.

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